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PUBLIC NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY  
MAPAVILLE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROPOSED FIRE STATION  
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT  
MAPAVILLE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, MISSOURI  
EMW-2009-FC-00757

Interested parties are hereby notified that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has adopted a Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for construction of a fire station in the city of Mapaville, Jefferson County. FEMA will fund the proposed project under the Department of Homeland Security Assistance to Firefighters Fire Station Construction Grant Program. The Proposed Action would build a new Fire Station at 3691 Plass Road in unincorporated Mapaville, Jefferson County, Missouri. This new facility would consist of approximately 15,200 square feet of new construction. The new facility will be built to all the current codes and standards. Utility services such as power, water, and telephone exist at the site. Domestic sewage will be discharged to an on-site septic system and leach field. This location would allow the new facility to support growth and needs to an area that has experienced rapid growth of commercial and residential properties and population.

Per the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4371 et seq.), and associated environmental statutes, a DEA was written to evaluate the proposed action's potential impacts on the human and natural environment. The DEA summarizes the purpose and need, site selection process, affected environment, and potential environmental consequences associated with the proposed action. The public comment period will be from May 5 to June 5, 2010. Written comments on the DEA can be faxed to FEMA's Regional Office in Kansas City, Missouri at (816) 283-7018 to the attention of the Regional Environmental Officer. The DEA can be viewed locally at the Mapaville Fire Protection District main office at 3701 Mapaville Fire Department Road, in Mapaville and the Festus Public Library at 400 West Main Street, Festus. The DEA can also be downloaded from FEMA's website at <http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/index.shtm>. If no substantive comments are received, the DEA will become final and this initial Public Notice will also serve as the final Public Notice. Then this DEA will be moved to FEMA's archives page at [http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/archives\\_index.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehp/envdocuments/archives_index.shtm).